

SUMMARY REPORT DIGEST-
COMPLAINT REGISTER INVESTIGATION NO.:
CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT

281349

DATE OF REPORT (DAY-MO.-YEAR)

10 July 2002

To be used in all cases that are to be classified as either EXONERATED, UNFOUNDED NOT SUSTAINED or in SUSTAINED cases where the Disciplinary Recommendation does not exceed (5) DAYS Suspension.

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TO: SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE
ATTENTION ☒ ADMINISTRATOR IN CHARGE, OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS
☒ ASSISTANT DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT, INTERNAL AFFAIRS DIVISION

FROM-INVESTIGATOR'S NAME Wolf, William T.		RANK Sgt.	STAR NO. 1981	SOCIAL SEC. NO. [REDACTED]	EMPLOYEE NO. [REDACTED]	UNIT ASSIGN. 020
ADDRESS OF INCIDENT 5457 N. Clark St.		DATE OF INCIDENT - TIME 09 June 2002 1704		BEAT OF INCIDENT 2013		LOCATION CODE 17
ACCUSED	NAME 1. Ronan, Sean M.		RANK Patrolman	STAR NO. 14396	SOCIAL SEC. NO. [REDACTED]	UNIT ASSIGN. 020
	NAME 2. Soristo, Anthony F.		RANK Patrolman	STAR NO. 13703	SOCIAL SEC. NO. [REDACTED]	UNIT ASSIGN. 020
	SEX/RACE 1. M/2	D.O.B. [REDACTED] 1970	DATE OF APPOINTMENT 22 NOV 1993		DUTY STATUS (TIME OF INCIDENT) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ON DUTY <input type="checkbox"/> OFF DUTY	
	SEX/RACE 2. M/2	D.O.B. [REDACTED] 1966	DATE OF APPOINTMENT 04 NOV 1996		DUTY STATUS (TIME OF INCIDENT) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ON DUTY <input type="checkbox"/> OFF DUTY	
	IF APPLICABLE - DATE ARRESTED/INDICTED 1.		CHARGES		COURT BRANCH	DISPOSITION & DATE
COMPLAINANTS	NAME [REDACTED]		ADDRESS [REDACTED]		CITY STATE [REDACTED]	TELEPHONE [REDACTED]
	NAME [REDACTED]		ADDRESS [REDACTED]		CITY STATE [REDACTED]	TELEPHONE [REDACTED]
VICTIMS	NAME [REDACTED]		ADDRESS [REDACTED]		CITY STATE [REDACTED]	TELEPHONE [REDACTED]
	NAME [REDACTED]		ADDRESS [REDACTED]		CITY STATE [REDACTED]	TELEPHONE [REDACTED]
WITNESSES	NAME [REDACTED]		ADDRESS [REDACTED]		CITY STATE [REDACTED]	TELEPHONE [REDACTED]
	NAME [REDACTED]		ADDRESS [REDACTED]		CITY STATE [REDACTED]	TELEPHONE [REDACTED]

☒ SEE ATTACHED SHEET FOR ADDITIONAL ACCUSED, COMPLAINANTS, VICTIMS, WITNESSES.

ALLEGATIONS

The Complainant, [REDACTED] alleges that on 09 June 2002 at 1704 hours :

- 1) Officers Ronan #14396 and Soristo #13703 failed to provide police service answer or acknowledge her questions.
- 2) Officer Soristo verbally abused her by stating "You are disobeying me, stupid bitch."
- 3) Officer Ronan and Soristo falsely arrested her.

I.A.D. LOCATION CODES*

01 Food Sales/Restaurant
02 Tavern/Liquor Store
03 Other Business Establishment
04 Police Building
05 Lockup Facility
06 Police Maintenance Facility
07 CPD Automotive Pound Facility
08 Other Police Property
09 Police Communications System
10 Court Room

11 Public Transportation Veh./Facility
12 Park District Property
13 Airport
14 Public Property - Other
15 Other Private Premise
16 EXPRESSWAY/INTERSTATE System
17 Public Way - Other
18 Waterway, Incl. Park District
19 Private Residence

I.A.D. PHYSICAL CONDITION CODES†

01 No Visible Injury - Apparently Normal
02 No Visible Injury - Under Influence
03 Injured, Not Hospitalized
04 Injured, Not Hospitalized - Under Influence
05 Injured, Hospitalized
06 Injured, Hospitalized - Under influence
07 Injured, Refused Medical Aid
08 Injured, Refused Medical Aid - Under influence
09 Deceased
10 Deceased - Under Influence

* IF CPD MEMBER, LIST RANK, STAR, SOCIAL SECURITY, EMPLOYEE NOS. IN ADDRESS BOX, PAX/BELL IN TELEPHONE BOX.

Briefly summarize the investigation describing your efforts to prove or disprove the allegation(s). Indicate whether witnesses or evidence support or do not support the allegation(s). In sustained cases ONLY, copies of the accused member's Summary of Previous Disciplinary Actions and Record of Previous Complimentary History will be included as attachments.

I/Sgt. finds the following facts to be true and undisputed:

That on 09 June 2002, a street festival "Andersonville MidSummerfest" had required the closing of Clark Street to vehicular Traffic from Catalpa to Foster. P.O. Ronan and Soristo were assigned to the fixed post at Catalpa and Clark Streets, as beat 2061B and were dressed in the appropriate CPD field uniform. The officers duties required that they not allow any vehicular traffic to travel south of Catalpa on Clark. The south bound lane of traffic was blocked by a large type III barricade which had a large sign on it reading "ROAD CLOSED." The officers had also parked a marked Chicago Police Department Vehicle so as to partially block the intersection. At Approximately 1704 hrs The Complainant, [REDACTED] drove her vehicle up Officers Ronan and Soristo.

I/Sgt also finds that [REDACTED] and the officers then had some conversation the contents of which are disputed. After the conversation ended [REDACTED] vehicle began to move with P.O. Ronan eventually ending up upon the hood of the vehicle

I/Sgt. finds that the allegation that P.O. Ronan and Soristo failed to provide appropriate Police assistance to be unfounded as there is no evidence to show [REDACTED] ever requested any advice or any other assistance other than demanding the officers move so she could proceed past a road block and go home. Both officers in their statements (#13&17) and reports (#3,4,5,6,7) give the same version of the incident, That [REDACTED] never asked for any assistance or asked any question, initially only activating her horn and motioning with her hand for the officers to move out of her vehicle's path. In [REDACTED] interview with Capt. Gross (#9) there is no mention of her needing any assistance prior to the incident nor asking the officers for any. I/Sgt. was left the impression that this allegation was some sort of after the fact criminal defense contrived by [REDACTED] to show the unreasonableness of the officers and justify her attempt to pass the barricade.

I/Sgt. finds that the allegation that P.O. Soristo verbally abused her by stating "you are disobeying me, Stupid Bitch" should be classified as Unfounded. In [REDACTED] interview with Capt. Gross she attributed this phrase to P.O. Ronan (#9). In her statement to I/Sgt., she attributed this allegation to P.O. Soristo. Both officers deny having made such a remark.

I/Sgt. finds the allegation that the officers falsely arrested her to be untrue and should be classified as Unfounded. All of the parties involved were interviewed by the W/C, Capt. Gross, as well as the investigating detectives, whom pursued a charge of Aggravated Battery of a Police Officer. The involved parties were also interviewed by ASA Riordan of The Cook County State's Attorney Felony Review Unit who found sufficient evidence to charge [REDACTED] with Aggravated Battery of A Police Officer.

INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS-
SUPPORTING ALLEGATION
LIST ATTACHMENT NUMBERS:

1,2,9

INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS-
SUPPORTING ACCUSED MEMBER(S)
LIST ATTACHMENT NUMBERS:

3,4,5,6,7,8,13,17

PHYSICAL EVIDENCE
LIST ATTACHMENT NUMBERS:

DNA

TOTAL NUMBER OF ATTACHMENTS
SUBMITTED WITH THIS FILE:

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Summarize the findings and recommendations. Rule violations will be cited by number only. One overall recommendation for Disciplinary Action will be made by the investigator. The recommendation will be for ALL sustained findings; recommendations will NOT be made for each sustained allegation.

Example: 1. Violation noted, no disciplinary action warranted. 2. That the accused member be reprimanded. 3. That the accused member be suspended for . . . days (not to exceed 5 days).

Regarding the Allegations of [REDACTED] from 09 June 2002:

#1) That Ronan #14396 and Soristo #13703 failed to provide police service by failing to answer or acknowledge her questions.

#1) UNFOUNDED

#2) That Officer Soristo #13703 verbally abused her by stating "You are disobeying me, Stupid bitch."

#2) UNFOUNDED

#3) That Officers Ronan #14396 and Soristo #13703 falsely arrested her.

#3) UNFOUNDED

DATE INITIATED
(DATE COMPLAINT WAS
RECEIVED FOR INVESTIGATION)

12 JUNE
2002

DATE COMPLETED
(DATE OF THIS
REPORT)

10 July 2002

ELAPSED TIME
(TOTAL TIME
EXPRESSED IN DAYS)

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Investigator will initiate the Command Channel Review
form by completing the Investigator's Section.

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List of attachments

C.R. # 281349

1. Complaint Against Department Member
2. Complainant Interview
3. General Offense case report
4. Arrest Report
5. Officer's Battery Report
6. Injury on Duty Report-Ronan
7. Witness to I.O.D.-Soristo
8. Crime Scene Processing Report
9. Watch Commander's Summary Report
10. Notifications of Allegation-Ronan
11. Administrative Proceedings Rights-Ronan
12. Waiver of Counsel-Ronan
13. Written Statement- Ronan
14. Notifications of Allegations-Soristo
15. Administrative Proceedings Rights-Soristo
16. Waiver of Counsel-Soristo
17. Written Statement- Soristo